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SUBJECT: VISIT BY IPS PRESIDENT

- 1. BOBICK SARUCH, PRESIDENT OF FRG CONSULTING FIRM, IPS, VISITED USCO 2/17/78 INQUIRING ABOUT ORIGIN OF AN "INVESTIGATION" AGAINST HIS FIRM BY USG FOR REPORTED LICENSING VIOLATIONS.
- 2. ACCORDING TO HANS ANDREE (WHO USED TO WORK WITH IPS AND ACCOMPANIED SARUCH DURING USCO VISIT), HE (ANDREE) WAS TOLD ON TWO SEPARATE OCCASIONS THAT IPS WAS CURRENTLY UNDER INVESTIGATION FOR SOME TYPE OF LICENSING VIOLATIONS AND THAT U.S. SUPPLIERS OF ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT HAD BEEN INFORMED OF THIS ACTION BY "CIRCULAR" (READ LETTER). ANDREE SAID HE HEARD ABOUT THIS WHILE IN FRG.

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3. SARUCH SAID THAT HE HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF ANY WRONG-DOING ON IPS PART, AND IN FACT REPRESENTS ONLY A FEW U.S. COMPANIES WHO SELL ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT. IPS HAD ORGANIZED AN EXHIBIT ON THIS TYEME (RADIOPHYSIKA '76, MOSCOW) BUT ACCORDING TO SARUCH, FIRM ACTED AS ORGANIZER ONLY AND DID NOT DISPLAY ACTUAL EQUIPMENT.

- 4. SARUCH SAID THAT WHILE HE IS IN MONTREAL DURING NEXT TWO WEEKS HE PLANS TO PHONE OEA (MEYER OR HOYA), OR BEWT/TDAD (BOWIE) IN ORDER TO CLARIFY ISSUE.
- 5. PLEASE ADVISE STATUS OF ALLEGED INVESTIGATION INTO IPS COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES IN USSR AND WHAT, IF ANY, FURTHER ACTION MAY BE CONSIDERED USEFUL FOR EMBASSY TO UNDERTAKE. MATLOCK

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